

# Leadership

*“Be the chief but never the lord”. – Lao Tzu*

Our life brings a lot more challenging and transforming events which are for our greatest disposal. These events indeed have a strong grip over us when we look into the harsh realities of all situations, because we often see situation through eyes of fear versus through the lenses of opportunity. In the so-called situations, most of us are pretty insecure creatures.

Normally, when we think about the leadership, the qualities that come into our mind are competence, conviction, indomitable and impeccable oratory skills, etc. But on contrary, the **first** thing required of human beings to be a leader is that s/he is able to **breathe** i.e. to be alive, and **second** thing required is that s/he should be a **good** and **friendly** human being. These are the basic necessities of a **Leader**. It means we need not have an incredible degree of outward success and qualifications to be a **Leader**. We want people to think we are smart, strong and together, believing in an outdated model of leadership which says that the best leader is the one who talks the most, speaks the loudest, and listens the least. No, Leadership is all about listening and allowing others to be heard.

Perhaps the most important vision of all is to develop a sense of self, a sense of our own destiny, a sense of our unique mission and role in life, a sense of purpose and meaning. Moreover, we should have a control over things and make things happen, instead of waiting for things to happen themselves.

*It is better to lead from behind and to put others in front, especially when you celebrate victory when nice things occur. You take the front line when there is danger. The people will appreciate your Leadership. – Nelson Mandela*

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